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ABSTRACT

This inventory describes the records of the 1977 South Carolina International Women's Year Conference which, as part of the archives and special collections of Winthrop College's Dacus Library, are available for research. Included in the collection are minutes, correspondence, financial records, resolutions, newspaper clippings, publications, press releases, brochures, questionnaires, speeches, tape recordings, and other records. (JD)

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AN INVENTORY TO THE RECORDS

OF THE

1977 SOUTH CAROLINA INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S

YEAR CONFERENCE

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Forward

This inventory describes the records of the 1977 South Carolina International Women's Year Conference which are now part of the permanent holdings of the Winthrop College Archives and Special Collections. The South Carolina International Women's Year Coordinating Committee and its delegation, the National Women's Conference, formally terminated its activities on June 21, 1978 and, as part of its formal termination, the records pertaining to work of the South Carolina International Women's Year Conference were donated to Winthrop College. It was recommended by the South Carolina International Women's Year Committee that Winthrop send to all the various institutions of higher learning in South Carolina a description of the records so that "research on South Carolina women can be an ongoing process."

This inventory describes and makes available for research an important body of documentation concerning women and their struggle for recognition and status. The South Carolina International Women's Year Records are now part of a growing body of material housed by the Winthrop College Archives and Special Collections and documenting the history of women's activities and accomplishments in South Carolina. In attempting to document women's history in the state, the Winthrop Archives is collecting the records and papers of all types of individuals and organizations in South Carolina. This includes women involved with the political process, religious bodies, legal institutions, patriotic societies, professional organizations and clubs, the home and the arts. Some of the representative women's organizations whose records are contained in the Winthrop College Archives and Special Collections include the South Carolina Federation of Women's Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Church Women United in South Carolina, the ERA; South Carolina Coalition, the South Carolina Home Economics Association, the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, the South Carolina Council for the Common Good, and the South Carolina Chapter of NOW.

The Winthrop Archives and Special Collections encourages students, scholars and members of the public to use the records of the South Carolina International Women's Year Conference or any other part of its holdings relating to women, so that we can better understand the contributions of South Carolina women and the part they have played in the shaping of the state's history.

Inquiries concerning the records of the South Carolina International Women's Year Conference or any other part of the holdings of the Winthrop College Archives and Special Collections should be addressed to:

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SOUTH CAROLINA INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR CONFERENCE RECORDS

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REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Accession Numbers: 114 and 226

Processed by: Ann Yarborough Evans, Archivist Assistant, on February 4, 1978 and January 19, 1979.

Provenance: The records of the South Carolina International Women's Year Conference* were deposited with the Winthrop College Archives and Special Collections on various dates throughout 1978 by SCIWYC officers including Dr. Marianna Davis, permanent chairperson, Dr. Constance Ashton Myers, historian, and Dr. Lesslie Reynolds, Ms. Mary Breakfield and Ms. Louise Pettus, all of Winthrop College. The SCIWYC formally terminated its activities on June 21, 1978 and, as part of its formal termination, "materials, artifacts, and memorabilia" were presented to Winthrop College.

Quantity: Fifty-two folders (approximately three linear ft.) and 28 tape recordings.

Restrictions: The collection is open for research and may be used in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Winthrop College Archives and Special Collections.

Literary Rights: They have been dedicated to the public.

Reporting: Data sheets for the National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections were sent to the Descriptive Cataloging Division of the Library of Congress on March 28, 1978 and January 22, 1979. The entry number for the SCIWYC records in the National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections is MS 79-1310.

Scope and Content Note: The collection includes minutes, correspondence, financial records, resolutions, newspaper clippings, publications, press releases, brochures, questionnaires, speeches, tape recordings, and other records relating to the SCIWYC held in Columbia, South Carolina on June 10 and 11, 1977. The purpose of the Conference was to formulate grass roots opinion for the national conference held in November of the same year in Houston, Texas and to help the South Carolina women "gain knowledge of their heritage and hope for their future." In addition to containing records documenting the work and activities of the SCIWYC, the collection also contains a great deal of material relating to the National International Women's Year Conference and to issues and subjects affecting women.

*Heretofore referred to as SCIWYC.

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

Folder(s)	Series	Year(s)
2	TRANSCRIPT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SCIWYC A verbatim account of the proceedings of the conference held in Columbia, S.C., June 10-11, 1977.	1977
6	GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE AND RELATED RECORDS Includes communication between the National International Women's Year Committee and the South Carolina International Women's Year Committee, correspondence and memoranda of the state coordinating committee concerning the organization of the conference and responses of various legislators to invitations extended by the SCIWYC committee to participate in the state conference. In general chronological order.	1977
1	RECORDS RELATING TO THE PROGRAM OF THE CONFERENCE Requests for program speakers and group leaders, lists of delegates to the state and national conferences, lists of rules and guidelines for meetings and press interviews, letters of congratulations and approval, addresses of program participants, and newspaper clippings concerning program activities. Arranged chronologically.	1977
1	RECORDS OF THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE Includes the minutes of both the executive board meeting and the general meeting. In chronological order.	1977
1	RECORDS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE Correspondence and memoranda relating to procedures and nominations for state delegates to the National International Women's Year Conference held in Houston, Texas from November 18 to November 21, 1977. Chronologically arranged.	1977
1	RECORDS OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE Memoranda of committee members, lists of rules on voting procedures, lists of poll watch volunteers and poll managers, and the official roster of charted state delegates to the national conference. Arranged chronologically.	1977

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (CONTINUED)

Folder(s)	Series	Year(s)
2	RECORDS RELATING TO SCIWYC WORKSHOPS Includes memoranda, fact sheets, outlines of program activities, lists of resource persons for workshops and lists of procedures. Arranged alphabetically by name of workshop with general material at end of folder.	1977
2	FINANCIAL RECORDS Travel expense reimbursement vouchers, memoranda, proposed budgets, monthly budgets, obligation report statements, and final report budget information, mainly relating to the SCIWYC grant, fund raising expenses and bonding. In general chronological order.	1975-1977
2	RECORDS RELATING TO DELEGATE APPLICATIONS Applications for the election of the South Carolina delegates to the national conference. No arrangement.	1977
1	REGISTRATION RECORDS Includes pre-registration booklets, pre-registration forms and advanced registration forms for the state meeting. Arranged chronologically.	1977
1	PARTICIPANT QUESTIONNAIRES Devised by the National Commission of the International Women's Year Conference to gain information about the women who participated in the state meetings. No arrangement.	1977
1	ELECTION RELEASES Tally sheets and voting machine sheets for the election of delegates to the national conference. No arrangement.	1977
1	PUBLICITY RELEASES AND RELATED RECORDS Consists of statements and press releases sent to newspapers, radio stations and television stations about the South Carolina and national conference. There is also some memoranda concerning the plans for publicizing the South Carolinia conference. Chronologically arranged.	1977

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Folder(s)	Series	Year(s)
1	MAILING LISTS Includes directories of women's organizations, lists of state Democratic Party women officials, prominent Republican women and South Carolina women legislators. No arrangement.	1977
1	PUBLICATIONS RELATING TO THE CONFERENCE Includes the program brochure and the pre-registration brochures, "The South Carolina Woman: Heritage to Horizons" and "The Legal Status of Homemakers in South Carolina." No arrangement.	1977
2	NEWSPAPER CLIPPING FILE Clippings concerning the state meeting and the women attending, the establishment of a review board, and the election of national delegates. There are also clippings on the national conference, other state conferences, the ERA and the feminist movement in general. Arranged chronologically.	1977
1	PHOTOGRAPHS Concern the state meeting. No arrangement.	1977
1	ORIGINALS OF SIGNED RESOLUTIONS These resolutions were passed by workshops in planning sessions at the state meeting. All except the child care resolution were passed for transmission to the national convention in Houston. Arranged alphabetically by name of resolution.	1977
1	FINAL REPORT OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR COMMITTEE The report was entitled. "The South Carolina Woman: Heritage to Horizons."	1977
1	THE NATIONAL INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR REPORT A report on the activities of the International Women's Year, which was submitted to the President and entitled. "To Form a More Perfect Union."	1977
2	STATE CONFERENCE REPORTS Includes the final report of the various state and international conferences. Arranged chronologically.	1977

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Folder(s)	Series	Year(s)
6	RECORDS RELATING TO THE NATIONAL INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR CONFERENCE The conference was held in Houston, Texas. Includes program notes, brochures, workshop guides, exhibit instructions, a statement concerning a national plan of action entitled, "American Women on the Move," resolutions adopted by the delegates at Houston, newsletters, and copies of speeches by delegates. In chronological order.	1977
1	RECORDS RELATING TO CRITICISMS AND DEFENSES OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR Includes letters, newspaper articles, clippings and press releases. There are statements by such personalities as Bella Abzug, James Kilpatrick and Phyllis Schlafly. Chronologically arranged.	1977
1	BIOGRAPHICAL AND RESOURCE PEOPLE INFORMATION Resumes, newsletters, lists of women attorneys, lists of resource people for workshops, lists of oral history interviewees, and general information on the history of women. Arranged chronologically.	1977
1	LEGISLATIVE BILLS AFFECTING WOMEN Includes a copy of a bill to amend the civil service retirement plan to entitle a divorced spouse to a portion of that retirement fund and a bill to prohibit sex discrimination in employment based on pregnancy, childbirth or related conditions. In chronological order.	1976-1977
3	PUBLICATIONS CONCERNING WOMEN Includes publications of the U.S. Department of Labor, pamphlets and brochures of the Women's Bureau, the Commission on the Status of Women Report, a Business and Professional Women's Foundation booklet on women in the United Nations and publications of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Chronologically arranged.	1974-1977

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES (CONTINUED)

Folder(s)	Series	Year(s)
1	RECORDS PROVIDING ENTERTAINMENT INFORMATION SUITABLE FOR THE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE Mainly lists of available films, playscripts, and entertainers, all with emphasis on women's history. In chronological order.	1977
1	ARTICLES RELATING TO WOMEN'S ROLES AND CONCERNS Includes articles about women's changing roles, property distribution and wills, the retirement problem of Dr. Alice Paul, Furman University newsletters concerning women and careers, and the new trend of housewives hiring other housewives. Arranged chronologically.	1974-1977
1	RECORDS PROVIDING INFORMATION ON SOCIAL SERVICES AFFECTING WOMEN Includes reforms suggested for the Social Security Act and general information on federal-state social service programs. In chronological order.	1976-1977
4	REFERENCE FILE Includes records not directly related to the conference but used for reference by conference members because of their emphasis on women and women's problems. Subjects include "The Second Congress of Presidents on Women in Passage", the National Women's Health Network, sex discrimination in insurance, minority education, women and social services, women and employment and women and the law. No arrangement.	1977
28 tapes	INTERVIEWS There are about 18 hours of tape recordings providing 113 separate interviews and personal histories of the delegates and other men and women in attendance. Interviewees include several black civil rights activists, educators, women graduates, homemakers, social workers, a lesbian, a white civil rights activist, and a woman who sued a state university system for sex discrimination. Both pro and con ERA sentiments are represented. There are also approximately 10 hours of recorded sessions and workshops of the SCIWYC. See the series "Biographical and Resource People Information" for lists of oral history interviewees.	1977